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## How One County Is Solving the Sub-district Trustee Problem

The weak or the strong point in each and every rural school in our state is the subdistrict trustee. If a strong, thoroughly interested man is elected everything is well, but if a careless, indifferent man holds the office the school is in bad shape. A good trustee means a clean, comfortable building, a competent teacher and some interest on the part of the general public. A poor trustee means a haily kept building, a second or third rate teacher and a lack of interest by the neighborhood.

### Monthly Report of Trustee's Visit

Nicholas County, Ky., Dec. 17, 1912.

Date of Visit Dec. 12, Forenoon, Afternoon X, Number Girls Present 3.

Number Boys present 9, Number Girls Tardy during month, 8, Number Boys tardy during month, 6.

Condition of schoolroom, good, Was Teacher neat and tidy, yes. Were children neat and tidy, yes? Did children march to and from classes, yes? Were classes called according to program, yes? Did each child recite during recitation, yes? Did children stand to recite, yes? Do they have singing or morning exercises, yes? Is the Bible or Story of the Bible read at morning exercises, yes? Is hand work taught Friday afternoon, yes? How many visits made by parents during the month, 9? How many visits of teacher to parents during the month, 7?

Is schoolhouse properly lighted, yes? Used, yes? Did you examine the teacher's record, yes? Has the school a School Improvement League, if so how many meetings during the month, 1?

What has the League bought during the month, 70 Books.

Is there any instruction in agriculture, yes?

Remarks ...

This is to certify that I have visited my School Division A, Sub-District No. 3.

1 1/2 hours and find school as above stated.

A. D. Fugate, Sub-Truster.

This report must be mailed to the County Superintendent within three days after date of visit.

COUNTY BOARD CONTRACT.

We, the County Board of Education, of Nicholas County, Kentucky, agree to examine carefully the monthly reports sent in by the Sub-District Trustees of each District, and to assist them in any way possible to put their schools on a higher basis. We also agree to pay each Sub-District Trustee 25 cents an hour, not to exceed three hours, for their official visit once a month, for a term of six months unless the term is extended longer. The County Board shall for neglect of duty, unless the Sub-District Trustee was legally presented, declare the office vacant and appoint another.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

### SUB TRUSTEE CONTRACT.

We, the white Sub Trustees of District No. Div., having been duly elected and sworn into office, do hereby agree to visit our school at least once a month not less than one hour for our official visit. I agree to examine carefully according to printed list of instructions and questions furnished by the County Superintendent and to write a correct report and mail the same to the County Superintendent within three days after said visit. For this official visit each month I am to receive 25 cents a hour not to exceed three hours for any monthly visit.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

The above contracts and reports tell their own story. In Nicholas county a number of uninterested trustees have been automatically dropped and interested men put in their places.

WHY NOT GET BUSY WITH THEM EVERYWHERE IN THE STATE?

## The Boys' Corn Club Boys Are Getting Busy Testing Their Seed Corn

It does seem odd that more farmers and their sons have not done seed testing in the years that have passed and saved themselves any amount of worry and bother and loss of time and money. Last season a number of the boys in the clubs used shelled seed corn that was bought or furnished them and learned to their sorrow that it was poor seed. Their stand of corn was miserable, and at the very outset of the contest their chances for a prize was gone.

Many of the boys in the boys' corn clubs have learned their lesson and are busy these winter days. Some of them are prize winners of other seasons; others are the fellows that have shamed their teeth hard and are going to try again. Both kinds are going to test their corn so that there will be no chance of a stand that will have to be replanted.

The boys are using old boxes that can be cut down to the required size or they are making boxes from any old lumber that is lying about the farm to use for their testing boxes. Nothing fine or especially good looking is necessary. Just a shallow box about 10 by 15 inches is all that is needed to test from 100 to 150 ears of corn. These boxes can be made and the corn tested now, while there is no danger of its getting in the way of any of the spring rush work.

The nubs which are driven into the edge of the box are an inch apart, so that string may be drawn across from both directions. Each square inch



SPROUTED SEED CORN.

outlined by the strings is enough space in which to plant six grains of corn, and that is enough to determine whether an ear of corn will do for seed or not.

In selecting the grains from each ear of corn that is to be tested remember that a grain should be taken from each of the different parts of the ear. This of course means running from butt to tip and around the entire circumference. As the six grains selected from the ear are placed in the moist earth or sand, mark the square and the ear with the same number so you will know which ears to keep and which to discard.

When your testing box looks as good as the one in the photo it will be an easy matter for you to decide which ears to keep for seed. If six strong, healthy plants come from the six grains planted you have a perfect ear of seed corn. If four have come it is questionable. Less than four means only half a stand at planting time, and the ear must be discarded.

The boys who are members of the boys' corn clubs of Kentucky have made their fathers and their big brothers who thought they knew everything about corn growing sit up and take notice. There is still a chance to teach them the value of the corn tester, so let each and every corn club boy test his seed corn this spring. IF THE BOYS WHO GROW ONE HUNDRED BUSHELS TO THE ACRE THINK IT PAYS TO TEST THEIR SEED CORN, HOW ABOUT YOU?

## S. S. DENNIS

### Announces for County Judge

To the Voters of Morgan County:

I am a candidate for the office of County Judge of Morgan County, subject to the action of the democratic primary to be held on the first Saturday in August of the present year.

As sheriff of your county two terms under the old constitution I paid all my official debts in full and no one was hurt or lost any money on my account. I always executed all my papers, no difference who for or against. Up to my time Morgan county voters have always given to their old sheriffs, who have been the hewers of wood and the drawers of water, the county judge's office when they ask for it; why depart from the custom now?

As a member of the present Fiscal Court I voted against and kept them from holding a secret court of claims. I voted against creating the office of county treasurer at \$250.00 per year; I voted against creating the office of road supervisor at six or seven hundred dollars a year; I voted against the increase of (\$2,400) two thousand four hundred dollars on the salaries of the County Judge and County Attorney for a term; I voted against putting all the old and crippled men back as poll taxpayers, as was done. Many other things to save the taxpayers money I voted against.

I am for better roads, better schools and for the enforcement of the laws as they are upon the statute books to protect life, liberty and property so that capital will come among us and then have them pay their just proportion of taxes. I am for publishing the proceedings of the Fiscal Court and the county claims annually so that the taxpayers may know what disposition is being made of the public money, and many other things that space forbids to mention now.

I am willing, if nominated and elected, to serve the people for the old salary of \$600.00 and fees of the office, or whatever a good board of magistrates say for me to have, and I certainly will not sit as a member of the Fiscal Court when the salary is being fixed.

Wishing to have the votes and influence of all, I am

Yours respectfully,

S. S. DENNIS.

Alvy Fugate Dies in Asylum.

Alvy Fugate, a respected citizen of this county, died in the Eastern Kentucky Asylum for the Insane at Lexington the 5th inst. He was Assessor of this county several years ago and was an honest substantial citizen. He is survived by his wife and several children and grand children.

Internment took place in the family grave yard on Little Cañey creek last Friday. He had a host of friends with whom he let him do so—Courier-Journal.

Most Women Wouldn't Let 'im,

An Iowa husband boasts the best American record because he has spent every evening with his wife during twenty-five years of married life. Well, how about the good record of the lady who let him do so?—Courier-Journal.

The Federal army revolted in Mexico City, troops attacking the national palace and the principal public buildings. Gustave Madero was taken prisoner. After street fighting, in which about 250 were killed, the Government succeeded in regaining control. President Madero led the loyal troops for a part of the time. The insurgents released Felix Diaz and Bernard Reyes. The latter was killed. Early Monday morning it was reported that the arsenal had surrendered to Gen. Diaz. Madero refused to surrender. Diaz said he could offer no protection to foreigners.

Attorney General Wickersham announced Saturday night that he had reached an agreement with representatives of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific railroads for the dissolution of the Harriman merger, as decreed by the United States Supreme Court. The two roads agree to a sale of stock to their own stockholders in what the Government regards a safe ratio.

Here is a nice case of legal trouble between Mrs. C. J. Martin, Booneville, Ky., who is the mother of a recent widow, Mrs. Martin was a ward of the U.S. Court of Appeals in Chicago, Ill., for five years of suffering, and now recommends those tablets to the public. She is all alone.

Stupitrol Krete is a hot wash and a hot cup of coffee, hot chocolate or cocoal. We are prepared to do all kinds, I poster and card work on short notice, and some of local candidates are placing their orders.

## SCISSORS and PASTE

### With an Occasional Cursory

Comment by the Editor.

### Thought Wilson to Blame.

"I knew we would have hard times as soon as Wilson got to be President," said a farmer to a Sebree business man the other night while discussing the tobacco situation.

"Why, Wilson has not taken his seat yet," said the business man.

"Yes, sir, he is right in the time Morgan county voters have always given to their old sheriffs, who have been the hewers of wood and the drawers of water, the county judge's office when they ask for it; why depart from the custom now?"

"No, he does not take his seat until next March," explained the merchant.

"Well, sir! Is that so?" replied the farmer with a disappointed look.

"I thought Wilson had been President for a long time and was the cause of our tobacco not selling,"—Sebree News

Balkan Hostilities on Murphy Fork

Mesdames Missouri Skaggs and John Ratliffe got into a hair-pulling contest on Murphy Fork one day last week, and the people along the valley of that placid stream thought the Balkan and Turkish war was again on. St. Louis didn't have any canons, but Mrs. Ratliffe had a battering ram in the shape of a stick of wood, and she made an onslaught on the outworks of Mis-

souri and knocked her into cold storage. Then St. Louis came back and hit Ratliffe in the solar plexus with the blow of a blizard. Our war correspondent did not stay to see the end of the battle, but he said the hair-pulling fight looked as if a Chinese typhoon had passed that way.—Hazel Green Herald.

Bully for Charley.

Charley Clemons has moved in the house of Ben Clemons, Sr., and went to housekeeping with his little wife.—Clemons cor. to Jackson Times.

Opposes Free "Boosting."

It seems that Beckham is going to have the power of most of the press behind him for the nomination for U. S. Senator. If he does, we'll wager that he gets there. But us poor fellows up here should say nothing and make them "higher up" pay for their talk through us.—Morehead Mountaineer.

Wishing to have the votes and influence of all, I am

Yours respectfully,

S. S. DENNIS.

His Name is Legion.

D. G. Lacy, of Caney, was appointed deputy sheriff for Caney and Cannel City precincts Monday. Green has served in this capacity before and is an alert fearless officer and his appointment was made upon the solicitation of a great many of the citizens of these precincts.

Appointed Deputy Sheriff.

Under separate cover, I am sending you a supply of Blank Oaths for the teachers' term report on attendance. Before you pay any teacher his attendance fund, you should have him subscribe to one of these oaths and it should be filed in your office for future reference. No teacher can receive his attendance fund at the end of the term until after he has made the oath, and the per cent of attendance must be made for the entire term and not by the month.

Yours very truly,

## Montgomery Jailer

### Sent to Sanitorium

Charles T. Wilson, jailer of Montgomery county and former chief of police of Mt. Sterling, was tried Friday before Judge Kerr on a writ of lunacy and was ordered sent to a private sanatorium, under the care of his brother, W. W. Wilson, who testified in the case, and was later appointed by the court as a committee to look after his unfortunate brother.

Dr. H. G. Foushee, county jail physician, and Dr. F. H. Clark, the latter an expert in the treatment of mental disorders, testified that Wilson was of unsound mind, and that he was violent and could not be bought into court.—Lexington Herald.

The New Senate.

With the election of Willard Saulsbury, democrat, as United States Senator by the Delaware legislature, January 29, the next Senate, now stands as follows:

Democrats, 49; Republicans, pro-

gressive republicans and pro-

gressives, 43; vacancies, Illinois

2; New Hampshire and West Vir-

ginia 1 each.

The democrats hope for at least one more Senator and possibly two; but if no more are elected, they will have

a majority of two, and in case of

a tie vote, Vice President Mar-

shall will be in the chair to vote

with the democrats.—Bath Coun-

ty World.

### An Omission.

We inadvertently omitted an account of the open session given by the literary society of the Normal School Friday night Jan. 31st in our last issue. The only comment we will make at this late hour is that we hope to have the pleasure of attending another of the same kind soon.

The normalites certainly did themselves and their instructor proud on that occasion.

### Deputy Sheriff Nakes Settlement.

Deputy sheriff, T. J. Perry, of Blaze, was in to see us on business Tuesday. Mr. Perry in-

formed us that he had made his settlement with high sheriff Brown and paid off money's charged to him in full and had receipt for same.

"Uncle Tom" is all business; he keeps his money in one pocket and there is no telling where the bolt of official lightning in the shape of indictment will strike next.

Not a drop of liquor is to be obtained in Jackson for love or money, and it is believed that the present term of court will end illi-

cit whiskey selling in Breathitt, especially if it is followed up by close attention to business on the part of the Commonwealth's At-

torney after this term of court

adjourns. Those who know Col.

Jackson say he means business

and intends to see that the law

is enforced hereafter.—Lexing-

ton Herald.

### January 22, 1913.

### Dear Superintendent:

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Yours very truly,

BARKSDALE HAMLETT,

Superintendent,

We are authorized to announce,

S. S. DENNIS,

of Ezel, as a candidate for the nomination for County Judge of Morgan County subject to the action of the Democratic party,

Frank Kenna, of Logville, was here

Monday in the interest of his candidacy for County Attorney. Frank has the correct idea of campaigning. He contemplates taking advertising space in the Courier later on.

L. N. Phipps, of Chanute, Kans., is here

this week looking after his business interests in this county. It is understood that Mr. Phipps is interested in the oil and gas development in their territory and will likely begin operating soon.

John Nickell, of Insko, visited in the city

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H. G. COTTLE, Editor.

Some men trust Providence  
and smoke a cob pipe while their  
wives hustle for their daily bread.

The fellows who are constantly  
complaining of hard times and  
scarcity of work would walk a  
mile around rather than meet a  
job face to face.

Some of our good non-subscri-  
ber friends borrow their neighbor's Courier each week and then  
blow like a wounded porpoise if  
they don't find their names on  
the local page.

If you were to scrape Morgan  
county with a fine tooth comb  
you could not find enough anti-  
Beckham men to carry the re-  
mains of his leading opponent in  
the boneyard.

The Civic Betterment League,  
of Jackson, ably seconded by  
Judge A. W. Young, is making  
the going hard for the bootlegger  
and professional perjurer in  
Breathitt county.

Someone asked us the other  
day to what we attributed the  
phenomenal success of the Nor-  
mal Department of the West  
Liberty High School. Our an-  
swer: To a hustling teacher and  
printer's ink.

In answer to a dozen or more  
inquiries as to why the bridges  
that were built across several  
streams in Morgan county last  
fall have not been completed, I  
will answer: I don't know—ask  
the county officials in charge.  
Perhaps they'll tell you—perhaps  
they won't.

A PERNICIOUS PRACTICE.

I.

To the lover of clean politics and square dealing the political reform wave that is sweeping the country from ocean to ocean is very gratifying. That there is a nation-wide demand for cleaner politics no one will deny. That the political atmosphere all over the United States has undergone a process of purification within the last two years there can be no doubt. Many reforms have been brought about and many pernicious political practices have been corrected, but the work of purification has only just begun. All classes of men can assist in the work begun by the reformers, and he who fails to do his duty in this regard shirks a grave responsibility and proves recreant to a solemn trust.

In return for the protection the law throws around every citizen it is the duty of each individual citizen to lend his best efforts toward the enforcement of the law, and the first and most important step toward this end is the election of competent men to office, from the lowest to the highest—from school trustee to President of the United States. Any law, however good, is a dead letter unless it is rigidly enforced, and the enforcement of the law and the administration of government depends upon the qualifications, patriotic, legal and moral, of the officers elected to the various county offices.

Now is the time to begin the work of purging and cleaning out county politics. The primary election at which nominees for all county offices will be chosen is less than 6 months off. Already there are a number of announcements for each office and to be earnestly hoped that the races will all run along clean lines; that no candidate will resort to the old time methods, which are fast losing favor, to secure the nomination. Our republican friends are watching our actions with interest and we should do nothing that will put a club into their hands next November, for as sure as we do this they will not be slow to see the advantage and to make the best possible use of it.

Let every voter in the county who is interested in clean elections and good county government begin to think about this matter and to talk it over with his neighbor, and if someone asks you to vote for a certain candidate because he is interested in the race, ask him to what extent he is interested and what he expects to get out of the office in the event of his candidate's election. It is up to the voters to put an end to this practice and NOW is the best time

proposition was not so much as discussed among the trustees at their meetings or elsewhere.

But the people are becoming more clamorous every day. Some of them even have the temerity to ask the trustees why that offer to publish the statement free of charge was not accepted. Heretofore the people have attributed their failure to make public their acts to neglect rather than a deliberate intent to conceal facts. But it is evident that public opinion in this regard is undergoing a change. People who only murmured before and said "it is strange" now speak out and say "there something wrong." Mr. taxpayer, when you become so fixed in your opinion that there is "something wrong" that you are not afraid to tell the City Fathers and demand an explanation then the facts will be made public and not before. Don't be a coward. Come out in the open.

The year 1912 was one of the most prosperous years Morgan county ever had. We can see no good reason why the present year should not be just as good, granting that providence favors us with an average season. There has been a general awakening, business, agricultural and educational, not only in this county but all over Eastern Kentucky, and it is natural to suppose that our people will advance instead of retrograde. Show the average mountaineer a thing is to his advantage and he will eventually accept it. He may not jump at an opportunity as quickly as our more favored brothers of the Blue Grass. He may be a little bit skeptical of a new idea at first, but when he's convinced he's convinced and that's all there is to it.

A great many advanced ideas have taken root in Morgan County within the last two years, and are just now beginning to bear fruit.

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but little of the blessings of good government if they happen to live in a county that is unwisely or dishonestly governed.

III.

In a great many counties in Eastern Kentucky and especially in Morgan county a certain practice or system has heretofore prevailed that has done more to defeat the aims of government and to elect incompetents to office than all other causes combined. I refer to the "deputy system" or the practice of running deputies in every school district in the county in order to secure the nomination for a certain office. By this means men who could not possibly be nominated on their merits or because of their qualifications, but who have a talent for playing shrewd politics, sometimes defeat men for county office who are far more able and conscientious than themselves. There are entirely too many men in Morgan county who are willing to be made tools of by being promised a deputy's place, when in reality the bare promise is about all they ever get if the man under whom they run is nominated and elected. It is the cheapest kind of barter and he who, for a pitiful promise that is rarely ever fulfilled, would persuade his friends to vote for a man who, in himself, is not their choice, against a man who is infinitely better fitted for the place, is a political demoralizer and a menace to the best interests of the county. Fortunately the men who suffer themselves to be thus hoodwinked by accepting a deputy's place on the quiet just before a primary are men of little influence, either for good or ill, yet taken in the aggregate, they are able to do a great deal of harm.

There are some county offices that require the services of deputies, but there is not an office in the county that the entire work of which can not be done by three or four well-qualified men. If a candidate wishes to select his deputies before the election he should be governed solely by the qualifications of the men so selected, and no more should he be promised deputyships than are actually required to perform the duties of the office. And then the names of those who are to be deputies should be made public so that the people may know for whom they are voting. By this means a man who has the promise of a deputy's place will be a deputy in fact and not a figure-head.

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This article is not intended to be personal, I have in mind no particular man nor set of men, neither is it inspired by friendship for nor enmity toward anyone. In fact I hope and believe that each and every candidate now in the field will rise above these petty practices and pitch his canvass upon a higher plane.

If any voter or citizen of Morgan county desires to express himself upon this subject, we will give him space in the COURIER to do so, provided he will write over his own true signature and make his article brief and to the point. Intelligent discussion of the subject is the best way to awaken the people of Morgan county to the demoralizing effects of the deputy system. No reform can be accomplished until the people are enlightened. That being done the rest is easy. Lovers of good government, let us hear from you.

They will ever have to begin.

tell you that I canned 238 quarts. I have had a good many offers for some of them, but after getting the price, which is quite large, we will eat most of them at home."

Mamie Belle Shepherd, who was the winner of the second prize, tried to grow her own plants and for that reason got a very late start in canning her crops.

Commissioner of Agriculture Wilson in his late report wrote the following: "From a department with 2,444 employees in 1897 and an appropriation of \$3,272,000 it has increased to 13,853 employees at the beginning of the present fiscal year, with an appropriation this year of almost \$25,000,000. Whereas there are now 52,000 requests every week for department publications, there were but 500 in 1897, and during this period 295,000 copies have been distributed.

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**GUMPTION**  
Which is Common Sense without Educational Furbelows.

By L. T. HOVERMALL.

"Politics is Hell."

The nation owes Judge Jewell a monument for coining the phrase: "Politics is Hell."

Every four years that roll by in Kentucky demonstrates that fact. It is most forcibly illustrated at the time we select county officers. It is brought closer home to us. In the offices further removed from us we rarely find how badly mistaken we were, for we don't learn, except in a general way, how incompetent are the men we elect. But at home the incompetency of our selections stand out as boldly to our view as the half-section reservation on the quarter-deck of the trousers of the poor laboring devil who votes for a protective tariff.

And it seems that experience doesn't teach us to do any better. We, as voters, are to blame for the situation, yet we quadriennially do the same thing over again, and as regularly wish for some big, lusty fellow to take us out in the rear and dust where we sit down with his foot. In Kentucky, and especially the mountains, there are more misfits and incompetents in county offices than in any other half a dozen states of the Union. This is not due to party politics, but to clan-politics. It prevails in the benighted Eleventh district where ignorance in groaning travail brought forth Caleb Powers and in the sun-kissed First where brainy United States Senators spring up spontaneously. Qualification has almost ceased to be a matter of consideration in the selection of county officers. It certainly does not weigh much against the clan "pull."

Because a man has a large relationship in a county (who vote for him on account of that relationship solely) he becomes a candidate for office. Some other family of like numerical strength has a candidate for some other county office, and so on ad infinitum. And because some of the clan have helped some of the other clans in times past the system of "log-rolling" is kept up, and about the only thing a candidate for office need possess to be successful is a bunch of relatives that he can "place" when the slate is finally made. Ergo, our mountain counties have incompetent officers, high taxes, big debts, bad roads, poor school houses, a large percentage of illiteracy and a very small per capita wealth.

The time has arrived when the people will have to rise above the ("log-rolling") method of selecting county officers and go to the sane method of electing men because of their moral worth and intellectual attainments. A little infusion of backbone stifferer into our systems would help. Then we could look over the field of offering candidates and pick the best, regardless of any outside influence. If your relative would make an ass of himself by his pitiable inability to creditably discharge the duties of an office, you will be doing him a kindness by voting against him and thus save him the humiliation of making a failure. And you will be discharging a duty you owe to yourself and your community by voting for the best qualified men. This should be the first consideration.

There are a number of announced candidates for Morgan county offices and more to announce. This will be my first vote in the county and I have made up my mind that the only thing that shall influence me in casting my vote will be the moral worth and the ability of the candidates. I may be in a class by myself now, but there is a sentiment of that kind growing everywhere and I hope that it will sweep Morgan county before the primary. I am personally acquainted with but few of the candidates, but before I vote I will find out about them, and in every instance the man whom I think will best dis-

charge the duties of the office will get my support. May I expect volunteers to join me in an effort to secure good officers?

There are quite a number of Utlanders here, who have adopted Morgan as their home, and who seriously desire to see the county prosper and have the best possible government, people who are unfettered by any clan connections and if some of them will start a movement to form a league pledged to the support of the best men regardless of family ties or "previous conditions of servitude" it will be heartily endorsed by yours truly. Morgan needs to start marching to the front, and it can never do so until the people learn that it is vitally necessary to elect the very best qualified, most high souled and most public spirited men to manage the county affairs. How many of the men who are now asking for your suffrage would you, as an individual, employ to manage a mercantile business, a bank or a railroad? Yet the business affairs of a county are far more complex and difficult than these. The qualifications of our next officers should be the watchword of this coming primary.

I may be treading on corns in this, but if I am I do not know whose corns, and in that event I trust to tread heavily. If some one flinches then I'll know. We need better business men and better business methods in the administration of county affairs. We need good roads, good school houses, public improvements of all kinds and a less tax rate in proportion to the improvements now received. We want more than mere salary drawers. We can have them if we use judgment in voting. Will YOU do this?

Now cuss!

**MARKET AFFECTED BY STRIKE**

**Scarcity of Drugs in New York Result of Cessation of Work in English Coal Mines.**

An aftermath of the recent coal strike in Great Britain has been that the New York market for crude drugs has become almost bare of many botanical products usually brought to this port from the sources of supply in British ships.

The scarcity of supplies has stiffened the crude drug market in many spots, despite the meager character of the buying within the last few weeks, and the approaching total exhaustion of the stock of several commodities is strongly suggested.

The demands of the city trade are still relatively greater than from the west and south, but it is believed that purchasing of quinine and other drugs will soon be greatly augmented in the southwest by the disastrous floods which have inundated that section of the country.

Among the most important advances in prices noted have been sharp up-sets in menthol, short and long huchu leaves, Cartagena ipecac, celery seed, cloves, cascara sagrada, gum candelachia, cascara kava, decorated cardamoms, balsam tolu and Para balsam copalba.—Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter.

**TICKLED BUFFALOES.**  
How a Yankee railroad man once tried to protect telegraph poles in western Kansas from the buffalo and信号 was failed is related by H. J. Barber, a pioneer of Pawnee county:

"Early settlers remember that for miles you could see a white polished belt on every telegraph pole where buffalo had scratched their shaggy hides when tormented by buffaloes. I was told that many poles were broken by the vast army of scratching animals. A certain railroad official who lived in Boston, where the shoes were made, bought all the pegging awls on the market and had the section men drive them into the posts until they look like giant castles."

"The herds came and saw and queried. They fought for first place at the poles and tickled their mangy hides with the awls, which were broken by the joyful bulls that still scratched on the remnants, until the poles fell. Needless to say, the remaining awls were withdrawn from service at once."

**TOWNS WITHOUT TAXES.**  
It was recently reported from Germany that there was a little town within the empire in which there were no taxes. The town possessed benefactions, the revenues from which enabled it to pay its way without the intervention of the tax gatherer.

Franco never likes to be outdone by anything German, so a Paris contemporary has set itself the task of finding a parallel. Something more than a parallel has been discovered, for not only are there no taxes, but the timber on the communal lands are sufficient to grant each person a small annuity. This happy land is Montmartre, in the Mid. There are seven elec-

tors in the hamlet, so to avoid anything like rivalry the seven return themselves to the local council.

Cutting down the trees and selling them is sufficient to provide a livelihood for these simple people, whose tastes are so modest that they may be termed by some uncivilized.

**FEAR TO DISPLAY EMOTION**  
**Mistaken Sense of What is Dignified is a Common Fault of the Times.**

This is not an age in which clear distinctions are made in the meaning of terms. Grotesque errors arise through haphazard conclusions drawn from this loose method of reasoning. One of the popular misconceptions is that the display of emotion on the part of men is belittling and indicates weakness of character, disgraceful and abasing to the victim, says a writer in the Pittsburgh Gazette Times. It is claimed by some that the natural processes of materialism and the hardening of men's natures by the struggle for success that the age demands has brought about this contempt for anything like a display of emotion on the part of men. It may be questioned, however, whether this explains the assumed respect for callousness that is so marked a feature of the times. There is a false idea around as to what emotion is, and a mistaken conception as to its proper expression. Hysteria is one of our national diseases. The excesses into which it leads men and women have become the subject of widespread contempt, sensible people, feeling an instinctive aversion for this sort of exaggerated feeling, have fallen into the error of mistaking sane, human emotion for hysteria and have gone to the extreme in their effort to avoid any expression of feeling as "womanish," querelle and unmanly.

**First Religious Book in America.**  
The first religious book published on the American continent was printed in the City of Mexico by order of the Roman Catholic bishop there. This was the first work of any kind from movable type issued in the new world and bears date 1615. In point of collaborators the most pretentious work published on this continent is "The Catholic Church in the United States," which has six thousand different co-authors, all but a dozen of whom are actively identified in some way with the American hierarchy.

**Odd Case of Friendship.**  
At the present time it is most unusual case of affection between a domestic and a comparatively wild animal is to be witnessed at the Little English hamlet of Speenley, near Market Drayton. On the farm of Mr. William Woodburn for a week or two past, a small rough, somewhat vicious terrier from the farmstead has been noticed gambolling in the fields with a large well-developed hare. Such an attachment is most uncommon.

**Contrasts in Domestic Service.**  
Americans who can keep only one servant, and who often cannot keep one very long, sometimes sigh for the supposedly domestic tranquility of the old world—and yet here is a paragraph in the London Times saying that a certain marquis was summoned to a London police court for "keeping four male servants without having licenses," and fined forty shillings with costs. Life is not without its troubles even for marquises with several servants.

**What They Both Lacked.**  
An old farmer went to a cattle show to exhibit a favorite cow, with which he had high hopes of winning the first prize. On learning the result, and that his cow had been placed fifth, his anger knew no bounds, and, rushing into the ring, he attacked the judges. "Why is my cow not first? What are her faults, I'd like to know?" At this point one of the judges approached him and answered: "Her faults, my good man, are somewhat akin to your own. She looks good breeding."

**Speaking of Names.**  
Just before retiring the other night we threw up our front window for a view of the heavenly firmament. Out of the soft silence stole a sweet voice calling "Gladstone! Gladstone!" in earldring tones. We went to bed in considerable wonderment. By evening of the following day our wife had discovered that our now next-door neighbor has a cat by that name.—Joe Chapple's News-Letter.

**CORNELL'S SEVEN WONDERS.**  
The physical department of Cornell university was asked some time ago to name seven wonders of the modern world selected from a list of 57 outstanding inventions and structures. The faculty, graduates and seniors in the Physics seminary balloted, the award of the voting going to wireless telegraphy, synthetic chemistry, radium, antitoxins, aviation, the Panama canal and the telephone.

**More by Shakespeare.**  
The broad back of Shakespeare has still another load to bear; it seems that he wrote the Psalms. The word "Shakespeare" contains four vowels and six consonants; 4 and 6 placed together signify 46; in the 46th psalm the 46th word is "shunke"; and the 46th word from the end is "spear."

**Her Idea of Player Piano.**  
Au observing little niggis of live was visiting one afternoon at a house where there was a player piano, and she was much interested. On her return home she described it to her mother as a machine into which they poked a porous plaster and ground it into music.

**Dependent on Wood Pulp.**  
Mr. Frank Lloyd, at the annual dinner of the British Wood Pulp Association, spoke of the serious effect upon the industry of the drought in Scandinavia, and, referring to the rapid development of the industry, pointed out how dependent paper makers now were upon wood pulp. If they had to rely on straw, etc., as was the case only about twenty-five years ago, his mill at Sittingbourne "would alone require a string of carts over four miles long, and at least 40,000,000 gallons of water every twenty-four hours."

# STRAW VOTE

## Who is Your Choice for the Various County Offices?

Believing that the COURIER subscription list contains most of the representative, thoughtful and progressive citizens of Morgan county, and further believing that the weight of their opinion will have much to do in determining who will be the nominees of the primary of next August, the COURIER has decided to conduct a "Straw Election" to obtain the consensus of opinion of our subscribers as to whom should be nominated.

The COURIER has no choice between the aspirants for county nominations. It will be absolutely neutral in these races, treating each with absolute fairness. But in common with all good citizens it hopes that the best men will be selected for all the offices.

RULES OF VOTING.

1. The "Straw Election" will be completed July 5, 1913, at which time all the ballots will be counted, and the result published the following week.

2. Any paid-in-advance yearly subscriber, residing in Morgan county, may cast one ballot for each of the offices to be contended for at the next August primary.

3. Only one vote will be allowed to each subscriber for each yearly subscription, and no ballot will be counted unless signed by the subscriber; but the signature will be detached by us before putting in the ballot box, and in no event will the name of the person voting or for whom he voted be divulged. It is strictly a secret ballot.

4. Only subscribers living in Morgan county may vote but the paper may be sent to any person anywhere.

5. Ballots may be sent in at any time, and as soon as a sufficient number have been received the status of the vote will be published and each week thereafter the number of votes cast for each candidate will be published.

Ballot to be used by yearly subscribers already paid

1913.

**Editor COURIER,**  
West Liberty, Ky.

Being a paid-in-advance yearly subscriber to the Courier I desire to vote in your "Straw Election." I cast my ballot as follows:

For State Senator .....  
For Representative .....  
For County Judge .....  
For County Attorney .....  
For County Clerk .....  
For School Supt. .....  
For Sheriff .....  
For Jailer .....  
For Assessor .....  
For Surveyor .....  
For Coroner .....  
Signed.....

Ballot to be used by new subscribers and renewals.

1913.

**Editor COURIER,**  
West Liberty, Ky.

Find enclosed \$1.00 for subscription (or renewal) of subscription to the Courier for one year, and send the paper at \_\_\_\_\_, and I vote for:

For State Senator .....  
For Representative .....  
For County Judge .....  
For County Attorney .....  
For County Clerk .....  
For School Supt. .....  
For Sheriff .....  
For Jailer .....  
For Assessor .....  
For Surveyor .....  
For Coroner .....  
Signed.....

Just write the names of the men you favor after the name of the office printed on the above ballot and send it to us.

Address all communications to

**THE COURIER,**  
West Liberty, Ky.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce CHARLES D. ARNETT, of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for State Senator from the 34th Senatorial District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce JAS. H. SEBASTIAN, of West Liberty, as a candidate for Representative from the 91st Legislative District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce C. C. MAY, of Henry, as a candidate for the nomination for Representative from the 91st Legislative District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce EDWARD F. CECIL, of Hazel Green, as a candidate for Representative from the 91st district, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce G. V. LYKINS, of Grassy Creek, as a candidate for the nomination for County Judge of Morgan County.

We are authorized to announce ALEX WHITTAKER, of Caney, as a candidate for the nomination for County Judge of Morgan County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce FRANK KENNARD, of Logville, as a candidate for the nomination for County Attorney of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce S. M. RURT, of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for County Attorney subject to the action of the Democratic voters at the primary election to be held Aug. 2nd, 1913.

We are authorized to announce HENRY C. ROSE, of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for County Attorney of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce JAMES W. DAVIS, of Ezel, as a candidate for the nomination for Superintendent of Schools of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce C. E. CLARK, of Maytown, as a candidate for the nomination for Superintendent of Schools of Morgan county subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce T. N. BARKER, of West Liberty, as a candidate for Clerk of Morgan County Court, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce H. M. DAVIS, of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for County Court Clerk of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce S. S. OLDFIELD, of Index, as a candidate for the nomination for County Court Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce LEE BARKER, of Malone, as a candidate for the nomination for County Court Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce L. A. LYKINS, of Index, as a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce SAM R. LYKINS, of Caney, as a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff of Morgan county.

We are authorized to announce JAS. M. CLARKIN, of Lenox, as a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce B. S. STAMPER, of Sodas, as a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce W. W. MCCLURE, of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for Jailer of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce E. J. WEHIL, of Blair's Mill, as a candidate for the nomination for Jailer of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce J. H. ROE, of Grassy Creek, as a candidate for the nomination of Jailer of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce GEO. W. STACY, of Grassy Creek, as a candidate for the nomination for Jailer of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce H. C. COMBS, of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for Jailer of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce JOHN PATRICK, of Asessor John, of Grassy Creek, as a candidate for the nomination for Assessor of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce J. G. CRABBE, of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for Assessor of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce REV. W. H. LINDON, of Tunk, as a candidate for the nomination for Assessor of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce W. FRENCH MAY, of Henry, as a candidate for the nomination for Assessor of Morgan County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce T. W. HAMILTON, of Yocom, as a candidate for the nomination for Assessor of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

## Nervous?

Mrs. Walter

## Farmer's Corner.

### Soil Fertility and Farm Management Problems.

Two things which probably hinder the success of farmers more than any other are the commercial maintenance of soil fertility, and right farm management. Only by building up and keeping up the fertility of the soil can large yields be continuously produced, but after this has been accomplished good farm management must be practiced in order to realize a good net profit upon ones investment.

Every farmer should know, to begin with, what amounts of the plant food elements nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium are in his soil. All the other essential plant food elements are present in Kentucky soils in sufficient quantities for maximum yields of crops. These data can be furnished by the Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station. The analysis of the typical soil acres of Kentucky are now on file at the Experiment Station, and if relatively accurate data cannot be furnished for any particular farm of this State, instructions for the collection of soil for analysis will be furnished upon application to Dr. A. M. Peter, Head of the Division of the Soil Chemistry of the Experiment Station, and free report will follow. Samples of soil to be analyzed should always be taken according to instructions. Whether or not lime is needed to correct soil acidity can be very readily determined by experiment upon a small plot in connection with the sowing of red clover. The plowed surface of a soil should contain not less than 8,000 pounds of nitrogen, 2,500 pounds of phosphorus, and 16,000 pounds of potassium in order that, in a favorable season and under good tillage, it may be made to produce a maximum crop of corn, wheat or oats. The soils of Kentucky, except in river bottoms and peat swamps contain an abundance of potassium. If soil does not show an analysis at least up to the above in nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium, steps should be taken to add, economically, these elements to a content necessary for large production, and raw ground limestone should be applied if experiment with red clover shows that the soil needs limestone.

After normal fertility has been secured, it should be maintained, and one great factor in this maintenance is good crop rotation. Crop rotations may vary in grain farming from those used in live stock farming, but in either case legume crops such as, clover, alfalfa, cowpeas, soy beans, and sweet clover, must be used to maintain the supply of nitrogen. In stock farming, about every third crop, should be a legume crop, and in grain farming, about every second crop. By establishing crop rotations as above indicated and by turning under sufficient manure and green crops to keep up the nitrogen content the fertility of the soil can be kept up, if in addition phosphorus in some form be added from time to time in quantities corresponding to those removed from the soil in cereal and forage crops and live stock. The basis for such computation will be furnished upon application to the Experiment Station.

The location of farm buildings with reference to various parts of the farm and to each other, the laying out of fields and fences the establishing of drainage systems, the working out of crop rotations, forms for farm accounting, etc., are among the problems of farm management which bear a strong relation to the success or the failure of the owner of a farm.

The Division of Extension of the Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station has decided to offer assistance, as far as may be possible, to farmers of the State in solving problems of soil fertility, in establishing cropping systems upon the whole or a part of farms in the production of legume crops, and in working out farm management problems. This assistance will be offered through correspondence, or when possible by visitation, without

expense to owners. Applications for such assistance may be made to T. R. Bryant, Superintendent of the Division of Extension.

H. B. HENDRICK,  
Assistant Agronomist,  
Lexington, Ky.

### The Farmer and The Soil

It profiteth a farmer not at all if he has raised good crops, but has failed to maintain the fertility of his soil. The abandoned farms of the East illustrate this truth.

The farmer of to-day cannot excuse himself for any such result. Through the study of the soil through the rotations of crops, through the proper cultivation, through measures for preventing washes, and then through the compost heap and through commercial fertilizers, the condition of a farm ought to be better at the end of each season than it was at the beginning. If this be not true, then the farmer has not learned his trade.

These are general propositions. There are conditions of soil and climate which make it possible to raise one crop—even the cotton crop—for several years in succession, without impairing—or, at least without seriously injuring—the fertility of the soil. But it is true of very few farms and of very few fields.

Farmers should study their compost heap. They should utilize everything. There is no subject of greater importance to the farmer than that of fertilization; that of manures and commercial fertilizers.—Home and Farm.

### Local and Personal.

(Continued from last page)

Mrs. W. B. Allen is reported sick this week. Jim Nickell, of Ezel, was here Wednesday.

Go to Keeton's for anything to drink hot or cold.

Boon L. Ykins, of Caney, was in town Wednesday.

Forest Davis, of Malone, was here the first of the week.

G. V. Lykins, of Grassy Creek, transacted business here Tuesday.

A. W. Smith is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Ben Patrick at Jenkins.

W. O. Cox, of Elder, was here this week and subscribed for the Courier.

Ed Webb has been confined to his room for several days with dysentery.

Joe C. Steamer, of Grassy Creek, was here Monday attending County Court.

We are prepared to print horse, jack or bell cards on short notice. Give us your orders.

John M. Kennard, who recently moved to Logville, is here this week straightening up his business.

There is no better medicine made for colds than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It acts on nature's plan, relieves the lungs, eases the throat, aids expectoration; restores the system to a healthy condition. For sale by all dealers.

### VALENTINE SOCIAL.

The Valentine Social to be given in the basement of the Christian church Friday evening, Feb. 14, promises to be a great success. The entertainment committee has on the program such talent as Mrs. Kathryn Daniel, Misses Valley Marksbury, Lillian Cisco, Carrie Blair, Jane Cassidy, Flora Hoverson, Winnie Moore, Hazel Seitz, Kathleen Phillips, Messrs. Walter Gardner, Clay Phillips, Drexel Moore and Roger Womack.

Last but not least each lady of the Society will tell how they multiplied their "quarter" that was given to them some time ago, and the one that has added the most to their talent will be given a prize.

A good entertainment. Dainty refreshments and a souvenir will be given to each guest. Everybody come. Admission only 25 cents.

Mrs. C. W. WOMACK, Pres.  
Mrs. W. H. GEVERON, Sec.

This is the season of the year when mothers feel very much concerned over the frequent colds contracted by their children, and have abundant reason for it as every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality, and prayes the way for the more serious diseases that so often follow. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its effects, and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

### HAWKIN'S CONFESSION.

We have about twenty more copies of Hawklin's Confession here for sale. Hawklin killed four men, married six times, was exectuted before he was twenty-one years of age. If you want one come and get it, because they are all gone. Price 50cts.

You know that more real danger lurks in a common cold than any other of the minor ailments? The safe way is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, a thoroughly reliable preparation, and rid yourself of the cold as quickly as possible. This remedy is for sale by all dealers.

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### GRASSY CREEK

(To late for last week.)

J. H. Amyx, who was reported in our last article as being dangerously ill, is greatly improved.

Mrs. J. L. Ferguson is reported as being better.

Elder K. H. Burnam, the eminent Baptist Preacher of Richmond made a business trip to Grassy last week, and during his stay among us he preached some impressive and instructive sermons to the edification of all his auditors. He is a grand teacher of the Bible.

Well I imagine that our newly constructed bridges in Morgan will be a handsome piece of architecture when they are fully completed, but when will that be? Nobody responsible. Why, I can hire a good hard work on a farm, for 20.00 a year, and we are paying men from \$3.00 to \$10.00 a year just to load. Officers now-days wants deputies to do their business, and now they would like to have an assistant to wait on their deputies. This is the diabolical state of our country affairs at present and we have come over to tell you folks that we are getting very sore about it. If a man is elected to office let him do the business, or step down and let some one in that will do the business. It is hard on a poor man to feed a lot of dogs and do the barking himself. It is just as hard on the county, to pay some of her officers to do our business and pay other men to do it, and then can't get it done. (Not comparing our officers to dogs by any means). We have to do some serious thinking before we vote in the future, or rub out and begin a new.

Mr. Editor, you fully expressed my sentiment when you said that the article written by the Big Sandy Monitor (Liquor and Christmas) was true enough for any time of the year. It is as true as the Bible. Every reader of this paper every school teacher, every preacher and every drunkard, in Morgan county ought to post that instrument on their mantle, so they can read it often during the day.

Yes Mr. Gumption, you are right same over here. We will join you in the Beckham procession.

### FAIR PLAY.

(To late for last week.)

R. L. Motley is reported to be very ill this week.

Rev. Harlan Murphy, of Pekin, has been holding a series of meetings at Pine Grove this week, many attended and much interest has been taken.

Mrs. Suda Lane spent Saturday with Mrs. Emma Murphy.

Mrs. Clay Murphy and daughter paid Bill Hale and family a visit Friday night.

Olan Motley, who has been attending school at Hazel Green, has returned home on a short visit, and reports a splendid school.

Rev. Harlan Murphy and family took dinner with Mrs. Dora Nickell Saturday.

L. G. Murphy purchased a nice mule colt of S. B. Williams last week, price private.

Kelly Henry, of Index, who has recently returned from the U. S. Navy, was pleasantly entertained by relatives and friends in this vicinity a portion of last week.

Lewis Hylton and wife, son and son-in-law and Rev. Bob Murphy were the guests of the home of L. G. Murphy Sunday.

Holt Wells and his newly wedded bride passed through this place en route to the grooms home. We heartily extend our congratulations and may they have all the happiness and prosperity that life can afford.

Misses Fern and Grace Nickell pleasantly entertained many guests during the protracted meeting at Pine Grove.

Lewis Hylton and family will move to their new home in Montgomery county this week. We are grieved to have them desert us, but wish them much prosperity in their new home.

Misses Mae Cox and Enid Hughes were the pleasant guests of Mary and Ella Murphy Saturday afternoon.

John Murphy made a business trip to Ezel Saturday.

Mrs. Anna Griffie, who has been very ill is convalescent.

### THE GOOD MISS

CANTAVIL

"Our Flag," a patriotic cantata, will be given on Washington's birthday in the High School chapel at 7 p. m. The proceeds will be for furnishing the stage for school entertainments.

All are cordially invited to attend this attractive musical entertainment.

Admission 25 and 15 cents.

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1st quality tomatoes, 11c. 1st quality salmon, 11c  
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Latest makes and shapes, for men and women, at prices that must sell them quickly.

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is complete and will be one of our best lines. We intend to keep in stock everything the people need, and to sell at such small profits that you will give us your trade. We will later announce through the Courier other prices. In the meantime come in and get acquainted with us and our prices.

Very Respectfully,

### T. B. STURDIVENT.

OPPOSITE COURT HOUSE.

### Report of the condition of the MORGAN COUNTY NATIONAL BANK

At Cannel City, in the State of Kentucky, at the close of business Nov. 26, 1912:

### RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts \$89,810.00

Overdrafts, secured and unsecured 407.05

U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 25,000.00

U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. deposits 1,000.00

Banking house, Furniture and

Fixtures 1,000.00

Due from National Banks (not

reserve agents) 2,860.75

Due from approved Reserve Agents 66,276.49

Checks and other cash items 25.00

Notes of other National Banks 1,570.02

Fractional paper currency, nick

eels and cents 1,149.85

Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:

Specie \$4,497.45

Legal-tender notes, 0.000.00

Redemption fund with U. S. Treasury (3 per cent. of circulation) 1,235.00

Total \$30,928.43

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Front Room over Sturdivent Store

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